ALLOWANCE

Election/Restrictions

1. This application is in condition for allowance except for the presence of claims 34-37 directed to species non-elected without traverse. Accordingly, claims 34-37 have been cancelled.

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

2. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

The application has been amended as follows:

In the Claims

Cancel claims 34-37.

Allowable Subject Matter

3. Claims 38, 42-48, and 53-79, now renumbered 1-35, allowed.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to ROBERT R. RAINEY whose telephone number is

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(571)270-3313. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday 8:30

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